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Mr. Robert Snyder
Bureau of Human Rights
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U.S. Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Snyder:

Knowing of your interest in human rights in Argentina, I am enclosing a recent publication released by Amnesty International regarding the question of the "disappeared" in Argentina. This circular contains information on a number of individuals who were reported to be victims of politically motivated abductions and unacknowledged detention in Argentina over the past eighteen months. In some of the cases, the detention of the individuals was eventually acknowledged by the authorities; in others there has been no news of their whereabouts and they remain "disappeared;" the bodies of other victims were subsequently discovered.

The document enclosed also contains information on recent developments in Argentina, notably reports on an amnesty law which is said to be presently under discussion.

I trust that this information will be of assistance to you.

Sincerely,

Rona Ellen Weitz

Rona Ellen Weitz, Area Coordinator
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